WESTERN BOUNDARY WATER BULLETIN - 2001 - INTERNATIONAL BOUNDARY AND WATER COMMISSION

11-0110.00 COTTONWOOD CREEK ABOVE BARRETT DAM, CALIFORNIA

DESCRIPTION: Staff gage located immediately upstream from face of dam on west side of outlet tower. Barrett Dam is located on Cottonwood Creek 13.7 kilometers downstream from Morena Dam, 1.6 kilometers downstream from the mouth of Pine Valley Creek, and about 19.3 kilometers upstream from the international boundary. Zero of gage is 440.775 meters above mean sea level, U. S. C. & G. S. datum.

RECORDS: Records reported below represent all water reaching Barrett Dam from the sub-basin below Morena Dam, including rainfall on the reservoir water surface. Leakage, releases, and spills from Morena Reservoir are not included. The inflows were computed from monthly reservoir records of storage, releases, spills, leakage, evaporation, and rainfall furnished by the City of San Diego, California. Records available: January 1921 through 2001. Records of stream flow for a station at the dam site are also available for the periods 1906-1915 and 1917-1920.

REMARKS: Storage began at Barrett Reservoir in January 1921. The area-capacity-elevation curves used in the inflow calculations are dated 1948, 1951, and 1955 and were furnished by the City of San Diego, California. Capacity of reservoir at top of flash gates on spillway (gage height 51.475 meters) is 55,205 TCM. Capacity at spillway crest (gage height 49.035 meters) is 46,811 TCM. Dead storage, 887 TCM below lowest outlet (gage height 17.945 meters) is included in these capacities. The entire capacity of Barrett Reservoir is used to furnish a part of the water supply of the City of San Diego, California.

EXTREMES: Maximum monthly discharge since 1937, 67,540 TCM, February 1980. Prior to 1937, maximum monthly discharge, 67,595 TCM February 1927; minimum, no flow during several months of various years.

MONTHLY DISCHARGE IN THOUSAND CUBIC METERS

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MONTH	CURRENT YEAR 2001	PERIOD 1937 - 2001		
		AVERAGE	MAXIMUM	MINIMUM
 January	246	 1,504	29,627	0
 February	282	3,361	67,539	9.4
 March	769	5,727	62,041	17.4
 April	3,164	2,876	26,680	12.6
 May	3,218	1,340	10,509	0
 June	2,718	633	4,818	0
 July	2,495	383	5,042	0
 August	194	 199	4,472	0
 September	0	202	3,858	0
 October	0	115	796	0
 November	43.0	253	2,519	0
 December 	47.0	 676 	 6,845 	1.6
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